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LETTER REGARDING CO-PENDING APPLICATIONS

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Applications:

<u>Appl. No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Group Art Unit</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>
10/592,182	04/04/2007 – 371 filing	3657	Honda Motor Co., Ltd.	OCB-236-A
10/592,618	03/23.2007- 371 filing	3657	Honda Motor Co., Ltd.	OCB-237-A
10/592,617	05/18/2007 – 371 filing	3683	Honda Motor Co., Ltd.	OCB-238-A
Now Patent No. 7,458,445 issued 12/02/2008				
10/593,403	06/18/2007 – 371 filing	3657	Honda Motor Co., Ltd.	OCB-240-A
11/241,730	09/30/2005	3657	Honda Motor Co., Ltd.	NGB-129-A

☒ The subject matter contained in the above line-listed co-pending U.S. applications may be deemed to relate to the present application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this instant application.

☒ Copies of the cited U.S. patent application(s) (specification, claims, and the drawings) are available on the USPTO's Image File Wrapper. Therefore copies thereof need not be attached.

The above-listed co-pending applications are not to be construed as prior art. By bringing the above-listed applications to the attention of the Examiner, Applicant's do NOT waive any confidentiality concerning the above-listed co-pending applications or this application. See MPEP § 101. Furthermore, if said applications should not mature into patents, such application(s) should be preserved in secrecy, **to any extent permitted**, under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.14.

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